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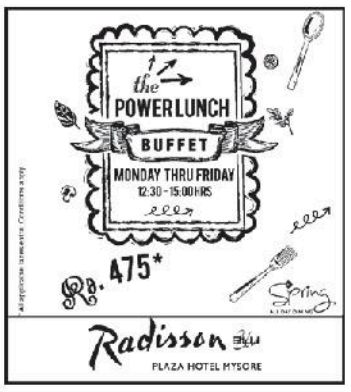

Truckers' strike TOTAL

Over 6,000 lorries stay off roads; District Lorry Owners stage symbolic dharna in front of DC Office

Lorries parked at the Shed on Jodi Tenginamara Road in Bannimantap this morning.

Mysuru, Feb. 26 (PM&DM)- Goods transport in the city and district came to a standstill today following a Nationwide Truckers' Stir in protest against rising fuel prices and seeking fulfilment of their various other demands.

Transporters and lorry owners of Karnataka had announced their support to the one-day stir called by several National-level Trucker and Goods Transport Associations.

In Mysuru, the strike was led by Mysuru District Lorry Owners Association, with support from South Zone Motor Transporters Welfare Association, The Mysuru Bandipalya Lorry Owners Association, RMC Lorry Owners Association, MNGT Railway Goods Shed Lorry Owners Association, Mysuru City Unit of Federation of Karnataka State Lorry Owners and Agents Association and Sand Lorry Stand Association.

As part of the stir, the lorry owners staged a symbolic demonstration in front of the Deputy Commissioner's (DC) Office here this morning.

Addressing the protestors, Mysuru District Lorry Owners Association President B. Kodandaram strongly condemned the exponentially rising fuel prices, which is severely hurting the truckers amid the COVID-19 crisis.

Urging the Government to take steps for stemming the rising fuel prices, he wanted the Government to meet the truckers' charter of demands, which chiefly included reduction of fuel prices, a cut in third party insurance premiums, reduction of toll fee on Highways and extension of the validity duration of E-way Bills, among others.

There are about 6,500 lorries in the District, with 1,000 of them having National Permit, 1,500 Intra-State lorries, 1,500 lorries concerning construction industry and the rest local lorries, transporting food grains, essential commodities and other articles and goods.

(See TRUCKERS on page 6)

Believe It or Not !

DC Rohini Sindhuri, I presume?

Mysuru, Feb.26 (SSV)- A video of Mysuru Deputy Commissioner (DC) Rohini Sindhuri operating a jack with a spanner to replace a punctured SUV tyre has gone viral on social media this morning. However, it is not known where this video has been shot. But it looks like a parking lot of a mall.

The DC, attired in a casual chudidar, presumably might have been on an outing on a holiday. While she was busy operating the jack to lift the white Scorpio SUV to replace the flat tyre, a person comes and asks: *'Madam, are you DC Rohini Sindhuri?'*

Initially, she does not respond. But, after the person repeatedly addresses her as *'Madam, are you putting puncture?'* she turns towards the person and smiles with her face covered with the mask.

It has been a common practice of almost all IAS Officers to use Government vehicle driven by official driver on public holidays. In case of flat tyre, they will get alternate vehicle and ask the driver to bring it back after fixing the problem. But in case of Rohini Sindhuri, she has replaced the flat tyre without seeking the help of anyone. She could have left the SUV in the parking lot and got another vehicle through her staff but she did not do so.

Motorists know that it is not that easy to replace a flat tyre. It is tiresome to lift the vehicle with the jack, remove the wheel nuts and replace a new tyre. Believe It or Not ! our DC Rohini Sindhuri has done it ! When *SOM* sought her reaction, she said ***'No comments on that.'***

STAR PUNCH By Satish Acharya

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Editor: M. GOVINDE GOWDA, M.A.

Mysuru, Friday 26th February 2021

Selected for DVG Muktaka Sahitya Award

Mysuru, Feb.26 (SSV)- Muktaka Poet M. Muttuswamy of Mysuru has been selected for DVG Muktaka Sahitya Award-2020 instituted by Karnataka Muktaka Sahitya Academy.

Muttuswamy

The award will be presented during the Academy's 21st anniversary celebrations to be held on Feb. 28 from 10.30 am to 4.30 pm at Mysore K.Vasudevacharya Bhavan (Nadabrahma Sangeetha Sabha), JLB Road.

Muttuswamy is a Kannada teacher and has authored more than 15 books of Muktaka Sahitya. The latest book 'Yadukula Vaibhavageetha' is a compilation of four line limerick in the Lavani style. It depicts the chronological narration of Yadukula dynasty of Mysore rulers. Besides, as teacher, he had prepared teaching models out of non-useable household materials.

On Feb. 28 at 10.30 am, there will be music recital of Muktaka and Kannada songs by Shubha Raghavendra. At 11.30 am, the book 'Yadukula Vaibhavageetha' authored by Muttuswamy will be released by Prof. Maleyuru Guruswamy, former Principal, JSS College, Chamarajanagar. Rajashekara Kadamba, Academy President, S. Ramaprasad, Hon. President and Founder of the Academy, will be present.

The Muktaka Sahitya award will be presented to Muttuswamy by Prof. H.S. Lakshminarayana Bhatta, former Physics professor of 'Kaggada Bhatta' fame, Bengaluru.

On this occasion, five personalities — Rameshwari Varma (cinema & theatre), Dr. S.A. Mohan Krishna (Science & Technology), L. Shivalingappa (sculptor), Suneetha Chandra Kumar (Sugama Sangeeta), Amshi Prasannakumar (journalism) and Rtn. H.R. Keshav (Rotary Service) will be felicitated.

EDITOR'S BOTTOMLINE

It should be reasonably clear to China that its ability to use coercion to dictate terms to India and caution it against joining anti-China strategic equations is quite limited. In messaging the world and India on China's apparent superior military capability, it would realise that it needs to do much more and perhaps run the risk of going over the top in situations in which it may have little control. With India mirroring China's deployment in Eastern Ladakh, the latter did not resort to opening other fronts, indicating a deep caution against over-commitment. This is what also happened at Nathu La (1967), Sumdorong Chu (1986) and Doklam (2017) — China preferred to keep the standoffs localised. Will it do anything different the next time? It has an untested set of armed forces that was bested by Vietnam the last time it fought conventionally. Demonstration of its optimum ability in an all-out war is fraught with unacceptable risk; the People's Liberation Army will need to find innovative means of conflict initiation on multiple fronts without resorting to full war and hope to achieve its aims. If China's aim was to dent India's strategic confidence, it would have realised that it will take much more than just a standoff and border friction.

— Lt. Gen. Syed Ata Hasnain (Retd.) in The New Indian Express

NEWS SPARKLERS

Pink-obsessed woman becomes real-life Barbie

Rio: A Brazilian influencer whose love for everything pink has drawn comparisons to the world's most popular doll, makes a living by showcasing her unique lifestyle on social media. Born as Bruna Carolina Peres, the Brazilian Barbie hails from the southern State if Paraná and claims that she has been fascinated with pink for as long as she can remember. In fact, it all started with pink, she didn't become a Barbie fan until later on in life.

In her teenage years she decided to showcase her love for pink by dressing only in that color, and was offered compare to Reese Whitherspoon's character from the movie 'Legally Blonde", by her colleagues. Then, at one point, people started calling her Barbie and she just rolled with it, adopting the persona of a real-life Barbie.

Artist turns river stones into detailed artworks

Venice: Italian artist Roberto Rizzo is getting a lot of attention on social media for turning bland river stones into detailed artworks inspired by the animal kingdom. From mammals like cats and dogs, to birds and fish, there is almost no creature that Rizzo can't turn a stone into.

Roberto Rizzo has always believed that stones have a soul, and using his mind's eye and his talent as a painter, he has been able to turn stones into living artworks of sorts, by turning them into photo-realistic animals. He has been creating his beautiful painted stones since 1996, and is an expert at hunting for special stones that can be used as canvases for his art.

Fish are the most challenging for Rizzo, as they require specific characteristics that are rarely found in stones. Whenever he finds one, the results are quite impressive.

HEALTH CAPSULE

Osteoarthritis (OA) is a degenerative, complex, and common form of arthritis responsible for chronic disability among older adults worldwide and is associated with a high cost to the individual and society.

By Dr. Ravikiran H. G. - Consultant Orthopedics and Joint Replacement Surgeon

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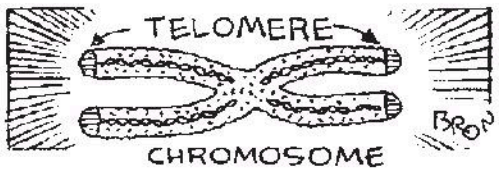


A Telomere is a 'cap' at either end of chromosome. It protects the DNA within the chromosome. Telomeres have been shown to be directly connected to cellular aging, as they shorten with wear over time. When a Telomere wears out, it contributes to the aging process. Inactive Telomeres are linked to illness and impending death.

COVID-19 UPDATE - MYSURU

DATES	FEB. 24	FEB. 25
Day's Positive Cases	25	27
Total Positive Cases	53,992	54,019
Day's Discharges	21	14
Total Discharges	52,785	52,799
Day's Deaths	1	0
Total Deaths	1,030	1030
Total Active Cases	177	190

NOTE: Figures as per Government Media Bulletin

Elected to MCC Standing Committees

Mysuru, Feb.26- The following Corporators were elected unopposed to the four Standing Committees of Mysuru City Corporation (MCC) recently.

Taxation, Finance and Appeals Standing Committee: M.S. Shobha, B. Bhuvaneshwari, Ramesh (Ramani), Hazira Seema, G. Roopa, M.V. Ramprasad and Srinivas.

Public Health, Education and Social Justice Standing Committee: Pradeepchandra, Usha, V. Ramesh, Begum Pallavi, Reshma Banu, M. Chayadevi and Ashwini Sharath.

City Planning and Reforms Standing Committee: Ayaz Pasha, M. Shivakumar, G.S. Satyaraj, Bhagya, B.V. Ravindra, B.V. Manjunath and S. Prema. Accounts Standing Committee: M. Arif Hussain, Ayub Khan, N. Sowmya, Sharath Kumar, Shobha, SBM Manju and K. Nirmala.

REALLY...?

- ***Sheep have rectangular pupils that give them amazing peripheral vision — it's estimated their field of vision is between 270 and 320 degrees; humans average about 155 degrees – and depth perception. These are great assets when you're a prey animal. It's like surround sound for the eyes.***
- ***Sheep have good hearing, and are sensitive to noise when being handled. Sheep are actually surprisingly intelligent, with impressive memory and recognition skills. "They don't go swimming every day, but in case of flooding, or falling into a river, they know how to swim."***

LAUGHTER THE BEST MEDICINE

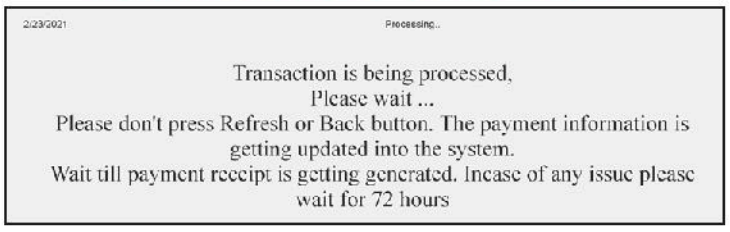
Teacher to student: If you go to Moon, your weight will: 1) Increase 2) Decrease 3) Can't say for sure.
Johnny: *Decrease.*
Teacher: *Why so?*
Johnny: *No Hotels there, so you won't get good food!!*

TODAY'S CURRENCY RATE

1 US Dollar	= Rs. 73.09
1 UK Pound	= Rs. 101.97
1 UAE Dirham	= Rs. 19.90
1 Euro	= Rs. 88.80

VOICE OF THE READER

Online payment of CESC bills: Why wait for 72 hours?


2/23/2021 Processing..

Transaction is being processed,
Please wait ...
Please don't press Refresh or Back button. The payment information is getting updated into the system.
Wait till payment receipt is getting generated. Incase of any issue please wait for 72 hours

Sir,

Whenever we make online payment of CESC bills, after receiving the payment, a message is displayed not to press back button or refresh button and to wait for 72 hours. A copy of the screen print is attached herewith *(see pic above)*.

Should the citizens sit before the computer screen for 72 hours after making the payment?

—Mohammed Dastagir
Mysuru 23.2.2021

Shubham Grand Winter Sale: Bumper Draw tomorrow

Mysuru, Feb. 26- Shubham's Grand Winter Sale was conducted by Shubham - The Electronic Shopee from Dec.30, 2020 to Jan. 30, 2021.

Thousands of customers won assured gift on every purchase and had chance to win prizes worth Rs. 1 crore under daily lucky draws and also were eligible to win bumper prizes of 5 cars and 10 bikes. Every customer was eligible for bumper prizes through online scratch card and daily lucky draws using an online platform and updating live Facebook video of customers, who won their daily lucky draw gifts like Refrigerator, Washing Machine, LED TV etc.

The winner of 'Shubham Grand Winter Sale - Bumper Draw' of cars and bikes will be announced tomorrow. Customers may join on Facebook live *(facebook@shubhamgroups)* on Feb.27 at 5 pm or visit Shubham Consumer Durables Pvt., Ltd., VV Mohalla, Mysuru or contact Mob: 91647-53614.

SDM-IMD's Virtual Leadership Talk

Mysuru, Feb. 26- Shri Dharmasthala Manjunatheshwara Institute for Management Development (SDM-IMD), Mysuru, had organised the 12th edition of Annual Leadership Talk (ALT)-2021 on a Virtual Mode recently.

Prof. Barry O'Mahony, Dean, College of Business and Professor of Services Management, Abu Dhabi University, delivered the talk on the topic '*Future of Work-Creating Possibilities - Using Workplace Digitisation.*'

He stressed that achieving customer satisfaction and to develop customer loyalty is the core in every service-oriented venture. Leadership styles and ability to manage things play vital role in this achievement. Emphasis on customer loyalty within the service sector has led to the development of the relationship marketing paradigm.

Whilst relationships between buyers and sellers are complex, there are multiple models proffered by academics that contribute to an understanding of the determinants of relationship development, he said.

With anecdotes from his experience in hotel industry and from his research, the speaker recounted specific real-life incidents demonstrating multiple sides of what constitutes good customer satisfaction practices.

Student event coordinator Sanjana Srinath welcomed and moderated the Q & A session.

Hemanth Sharma gave a brief note on the significance and value addition created by the Annual Leadership Talks held year after year for both the academicians as well as the student community. Amrutha Anil rendered the invocation.

Invitees from corporate and academia, Director of SDM-IMD Dr. N.R. Parasuraman, faculty members, staff, alumni and students were present during the virtual event.

Admissions open for Kalabharathi Cultural Wing at BVB Mysuru

Mysuru, Feb. 26- Kalabharathi, the Cultural Wing of Bharatiya Vidya Bhavan (BVB), Mysuru, will be conducting classes in Karnatak Music, Hindustani Music, Sugama Sangeetha, Bharatanatyam, Violin, Keyboard, Veena, Tabla, Drawing and Painting at nominal fees.

Trained teachers will conduct classes in the premises of BVB, at CA14, Vijayanagar 1st Stage, on all Saturdays from 4 pm to 6 pm and on Sundays from 10 am to 12 noon starting from Feb.27. Students aged minimum 6 years are eligible. Those interested may contact Mallika on Ph: 0821-2412141 or Kaverappa on Mob: 81052-51633.

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NEWS BRIEFS

Cross Country race tomorrow

The Department of Physical Education of University of Mysore will be conducting an Inter-Collegiate Cross Country race (10 kms) for both men and women students tomorrow (Feb. 27). The race will be flagged off at the University Sports Pavilion at 6 am. About 200 men and 100 women sportspersons from about 70 affiliated colleges of the University will be taking part. [Ph: 0821-2419288]. E-mail: dir.deptofphyedn@gmail.com.

Tripurasundari Jatra Mahotsava

The Department of Religious Endowment will be conducting the annual (2021) three-day Jwalamukhi Tripurasundari Jatra Mahotsava at Uttanahalli village in the taluk from Feb. 28 to Mar. 2. Special pujas and customary rituals will be performed in the morning on all three days of the Jatra, according to a press release issued by Chamundi Hill Temple Executive Officer.

Deadline advanced

The District Court has advanced the deadline for applying online to vacant posts of Stenographers (16 posts), Copyists (4), Amins (17) and Typists (10), which was called on different dates in February. The Principal District and Sessions Court Judge in a press release has advanced the deadline for online applications for the above posts with Mar. 21 for submitting applications and Mar. 25 as the last date for paying application fee through SBI Challan. The earlier deadline was Apr. 20.

WATER LEVEL

KRS DAM

Maximum	:	124.80 feet
Today	:	109.46 feet
Yesterday	:	110.13 feet
Inflow	:	595 cusecs
Outflow	:	4,367 cusecs

KABINI DAM

Maximum	:	2,284.00 feet
Yesterday	:	2,270.27 feet
Inflow	:	127 cusecs
Outflow	:	860 cusecs

HARANGI DAM

Maximum	:	2,859.00 feet
Today	:	2,823.39 feet
Inflow	:	69 cusecs
Outflow	:	30 cusecs

Big cat menace in South Kodagu

Elusive tiger gives a slip; now spotted at K. Badaga

- Forest Department halts combing operation as permission was only for four days
- Senior officials to visit forest camps today to take a call on resuming trapping operation

Ponnampet, Feb. 26 (Harish& BCT)- The elusive tiger that has spread terror in parts of South Kodagu has given a slip to the Forest Department staff, who are camping at T. Shettigeri and conducting combing operation. The tiger has moved to nearby K. Badaga village.

Over 150 personnel are involved in the trapping operation that has proved unsuccessful even after five days after a teenager Ayyappa and a 60-year-old woman Chinni along with a couple of cattle heads became prey to the big cat.

The tiger has moved from the epicentre of the operation — Srimangala, T. Shettigeri and Thavalageri — and has moved to K. Badaga village. The feline was spotted yesterday afternoon at a coffee estate owned by Appanderanda Poovaiah Ramesh. As per Ramesh's account, it is a fully grown huge tiger that was lurking inside his property.

He spotted the big cat at around 3.30 pm when it was raining heavily. The tiger was sighted just 50 metres from his house as Ramesh went near the house windows to see the rain.

Picture for representation only.

He Immediately called up his neighbours, estate workers and other people in the vicinity and asked them not to venture out of their homes as the tiger was on the prowl.

He directed his estate workers to burst firecrackers hoping that the tiger may leave the area due to the cracker sound. The Forest Department officials camping at T. Shettigeri were alerted and a team arrived at Ramesh's house and took photos of the pug marks to compare with the other pug marks obtained in the last five days.

Photos of pug marks taken

The pug marks will determine if it is the same tiger that had killed human beings and cattle heads or in case it is a different feline. The officials also advised the villagers not to venture out of their homes. Villagers, however, said that despite the tiger being spotted at K. Badaga, the trapping operation has not begun. The Department officials only visited the spot and took the photos of pug marks and returned without any action plan, they alleged.

K. Badaga is around three to four kilometres from the spot where the teenager was killed on Feb. 20 and the big cat is roaming within this vicinity. While the villagers are suspecting that looking at the size of the tiger, it might be the same cat that had killed the boy and the woman. Even the woman's (Chinni) son, who had accompanied his mother to pick mushrooms on the morning of Feb. 21 when the tiger attacked her, had reported that it was a huge cat and after killing his mother, the tiger had dragged her body a couple of metres into an estate with brute force.

On Feb. 22, PUC student Kechamada Raksha from Mathoor village spotted the tiger inside a coffee estate while she was going to her school. Seeing the huge animal, Raksha fainted and was admitted to a hospital in Mysuru. She is back home but still in a state of shock, unable to speak even to her parents.

Permission for 4 days

Scared of the big cat, the villagers have remained indoors leaving behind their coffee estate works during this crucial peak coffee picking season. Meanwhile, sources told *Star of Mysore* that the Forest Department personnel camping at T. Shettigeri had permission to carry out trapping operation only for four days and as such the operation ended on Feb. 24.

Today, senior Department officials including Chief Conservator of Forests would visit the camp and are likely to take a call on resuming or halting the trapping operation. They are likely to visit K. Badaga too. Taking objections to the Department halting the trapping operations, villagers of Srimangala, T. Shettigeri, Kumatoor, Bellur, Harihara, Kotur and Hermad have urged the elected representatives and the higher officials of the Kodagu District Administration to intervene and direct the officials to resume the operation and either trap or shoot the tiger.

Wild tusker tramples estate worker to death

Elephant barges into coffee drying yard after breaking metal fence

Sandeep

Virajpet, Feb. 26 (BCT)- Close on the heels of tigers spreading terror ion South Kodagu, an estate worker was trampled to death by a wild tusker at Siddapura village in Virajpet taluk. The incident occurred last night and the elephant had entered a coffee pulping yard after breaking open the iron and aluminium mesh wire boundary fence.

The victim has been identified as 22-year-old Sandeep, working at the estate of BBTC Company at Beetekaadu Estate. He was guarding the pulping yard along with another worker Raju when the elephant suddenly barged into the yard after breaking the iron fence. The tusker trampled Sandeep to death, who was in deep sleep and luckily, Raju escaped from the attack as he woke up hearing the screams.

Villagers and other estate workers who visited the spot took the forest officials to task. They demanded a permanent solution to the menace as the elephant driving operation by the Forest Department was proving futile as the elephants were entering from one estate to another instead of going back to the forest.

Three arrested for attempting to sell Star Tortoises

Virajpet, Feb. 26 (KS) - Virajpet CID Forest Mobile Squad personnel have arrested three persons who were attempting to sell two Star Tortoises, which have been listed as endangered and have rescued the tortoises from them besides seizing a car used for transportation.

The arrested are 20-year-old M. Ramamurthy of Kanakapura, 31-year-old V.K. Ramesh of Channapatna and 20-year-old B.N. Yogesh of Bherya in K.R. Nagar taluk.

On Feb. 24, the three accused, along with the two tortoises in the car (KA-42-A-6808) arrived near Chennangoli Bus Stop in Virajpet taluk at about 4.30 pm after travelling via Ramanagar, Channapatna, Hunsur and Gonikoppal.

Acting on a tip off, the Virajpet CID Forest Mobile Squad personnel conducted a raid, found two tortoises with them in the car and immediately arrested the three. During interrogation, the accused are said to have told the Forest officials that they had brought the tortoises to sell them for Rs. 50 lakh.

The accused were produced before a Court, which remanded them to 15 days judicial custody.

Madikeri CID Forest Cell SP Suresh Babu, supervised Virajpet CID Forest Cell Circle Inspector Veena Nayak and staff K.B. Somanna, T.P. Manjunath, P.B. Monnappa, M.B. Ganesh and S.M. Yogesh in the nabbing and rescue operation.

Currency carrying container truck topples near Bengaluru

Mysuru, Feb. 26 (RK&SSV)- A container truck carrying currency notes from Bharatiya Reserve Bank Note Mudran Private Limited (BRBNMPL), Mysuru, toppled near Kallugopanahalli on Mysuru-Bengaluru Highway yesterday.

The container driver has sustained minor injuries in the incident. However, the currency was safe. The container truck was on its way to Bengaluru when the driver lost control over the vehicle due to ongoing 10- lane work between Bengaluru and Mysuru. The truck was going with Central Industrial Security Force (CISF) protection.

After the incident, the armed CISF personnel, stood guard around the toppled truck and did not allowed anyone to go near it. On information, Bidadi Police Inspector Prakash and staff, rushed to the spot, and provided additional security to the container. Senior BRBNMPL officials and engineers rushed to the spot and shifted the currency container to another truck amid tight Police protection. It took almost six to eight hours for the officials to reload it to another vehicle.

Later, the truck proceeded to Bengaluru with tight Police protection.

Currency container shifted to Bengaluru in another vehicle

Retired Sub-Inspector killed in road accident

Venkataramana Shetty

Mysuru, Feb. 26 (YDS&KS)- A pedestrian was killed on the spot when a bike rammed into him near Lakshmi Theatre on Chamaraja Double Road here yesterday. The deceased is Venkataramana Shetty (61), a retired Police Sub-Inspector and a resident of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel Nagar in city.

He was crossing the road at about 8.45 pm, when a motorist, riding a Bajaj Pulsar bike, rammed into him killing Shetty on the spot. The bike rider, who suffered serious injuries, has been admitted to K.R. Hospital, according to K.R. Traffic Police, who have registered a case.

Man kills wife in drunken stupor

Mysuru, Feb. 26 (KS)- A man allegedly killed his wife by hitting her head with an iron rod in drunken stupor at Nagartahalli village in Jayapura hobli in the taluk yesterday.

Thirty-year-old Ramesh Nayaka is the man, who is accused of killing his wife Kumari (30).

Ramesh and Kumari were married for 10 years and have a son. A liquor addict, Ramesh, used to consume liquor daily and fight with his wife. Yesterday too, Ramesh came home drunk and picked up a fight with his wife and reportedly hit her head with an iron rod and fled from the house.

Neighbours, who saw blood flowing from the house informed Jayapura Police, who rushed to the spot along with the Dog Squad and Fingerprint unit personnel, conducted mahazar, registered a case and shifted the body to MMC&RI mortuary in Mysuru for post-mortem.

Jayapura Police, who swung into action, have arrested accused Ramesh at Vivekananda Circle in Mysuru.

Obituary

B.S. Ramesh Dhanya

Nanjangud, Feb. 26- Ramesh Dhanya (69), proprietor of Mayur Darshan Hotel and President of Taluk Hotel Owners Association, passed away at his residence yesterday.

A well-known football player, he leaves behind his wife, son Nakul Dhanya, daughter Namratha Dhanya and a host of relatives and friends.

Ramesh was the member of Sports Union Football Club and was also serving as the Secretary of Veera Brahmendraswamy Seva Trust.

Last rites were performed near Hadinaaru Kaalu Mantapa this morning, according to family sources.

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Corrigendum -1
BARC/SMFC/MRSS/O&M/2020/Corr1

Subject: **Revision of Tender activity dates due to the technical issues in purchasing and submission of tender.**

NIT No: BARC/SMFC/MRSS/O&M/2020

Name of the work: Annual contract for Operation & Maintenance and breakdown maintenance Assistance of 220/11 kV Master Receiving Substation at BARC-SMFC, Challakere, Chitradurga, Karnataka.

With respect to the above subject and tender work, due to the technical issues in purchasing and submitting the tender in tenderwizard.com, tender activity dates were revised. Bidders shall consider the following revised dates for further activities of abovetender work.

S.NO	Tender Activity	Last Date as per NIT	Revised Dates
1	Request for purchase/download tender documents	23.02.2021 (15:00)	03.03.2021 (15:00)
2	Last date for submission of queries	23.02.2021	03.03.2021
3	Reply to Queries	24.02.2021	04.03.2021
4	Last date and time for submission of tenders online (Financial Bid)	25.02.2021 (15:00Hrs)	05.03.2021 (15:00 Hrs)
5	Submission of tender documents and tender processing fees	26.02.2021(15:00Hrs)	08.03.2021 (15:00Hrs)
6	Online Opening of PQ bid and Technical Bid (Part-1)	01.03.2021 (11:00Hrs)	09.03.2021 (11:00 Hrs)

All other tender Terms & conditions shall remain same.

Superintending Engineer
Bhabha Atomic Research Centre, Project SMFC

Tribals dance in gay abandon

Tribals performing at Kalamandira premises this morning as part of Budakattu Utsava - 2021.

Mysuru, Feb. 26 (RK&SD)- The Department of Kannada and Culture, in association with Desiranga Samskritika Samsthe, Nele Hinnele and Gowthama Samskritika Mattu Shaikshanika Trust, had organised a colourful Budakattu Utsava-2021 (Tribal Fest) at Kalamandira premises here this morning.

Speaking after inaugurating the event, Mysuru Zilla Panchayat (ZP) President Parimala Shyam said, "The aim of organising such festivals is to spread the tribal tradition and culture all across the State. The need of the day is that they should get education and become socially, economically and politically more strong and empowered. The administration is keen on tribal development and releasing adequate funds for the same."

Later, ZP Vice-President Gowramma Somashekhar and Karnataka Exhibition Authority Chairman Hemanth Kumar Gowda addressed the gathering.

The Tribal Fest hosted over 100 artistes of various tribal teams from distant parts of the State.

Samagra Girijanabhivruddhi Kala Samsthe of Nagarahole presented Sode Dimmi Nrithya on the stage followed by Gorakana Nritya by Basavaraju and team from Biligirirangana Betta, Yarava Nritya by Prakash and team of Brahmagiri and Aadale Mara Nritya by Anita and team of Koda Male, Nagarahole.

Later, Javaranayaka and team presented light music followed by Hari Kathe by Lokesh and team of Hunsur, mimicry by Gopi and team, dance drama by Sneha and team of Mysuru and drama 'Patra Tanda Avantara' by T.K. Mohan and team.

Zoo Authority of Karnataka (ZAK) Chairman L.R. Mahadevaswamy, Kannada and Culture Department Assistant Director H. Chennappa, Mysuru District Journalists Association (MDJA) President S.T. Ravikumar and others were present.

MP presents memorandum to Minister seeking more facilities at ESI Hospital

Mysuru, Feb.26- Mysuru-Kodagu MP Pratap Simha today presented a memorandum to Karnataka Labour Minister Shivaram Hebbar, seeking more facilities at ESI Hospital located on KRS road, including addition of latest medical equipment estimated to cost Rs. 8,58,65,000 and recruitment of staff.

Simha, who met the Minister who had visited the Hospital for an inspection, apprised the Minister on the additional facilities that the Hospital needs for better health care of ESI beneficiaries and the lack of staff. Upon receiving the memorandum from the MP, Hebbar said the Government has approved sanction of funds required for purchase of medical equipment and also to recruit necessary staff members for the Hospital.

Nirav Modi's extradition from UK to India cleared

New Delhi, Feb. 26 (UNI& Agencies)- Minister of External Affairs (MEA) has said the Indian Government will liaise with authorities in the United Kingdom for the early extradition of Nirav Modi after a British Court ordered the jailed diamond merchant's extradition to India to face charges of fraud and money laundering.

Nirav Modi

The UK Court had ordered Nirav Modi to be extradited to India to stand trial after dismissing arguments of his "mental health concerns," saying they are not unusual in a man in his circumstances.

"Now since the Magistrates' Court has recommended Nirav Modi's extradition to the UK Home Secretary, the Government of India would liaise with UK authorities for his early extradition to India," Anurag Srivastava, MEA Spokesperson, said on Thursday.

The District Judge at the Westminster Magistrates' Court Samuel Goozee said that there is no evidence to suggest he would not receive a fair trial in India. Nirav Modi, who is wanted in India on charges of fraud and money laundering in the estimated 2-billion Dollar Punjab National Bank (PNB) fraud case, lost his nearly two-year-long legal battle against extradition on all grounds as Goozee also said that there are no human rights concerns that the medical needs of the 49-year-old would not be addressed as per several Indian government assurances.

The UK Court's ruling comes after a nearly two-year-long legal battle for Modi's extradition. Under the UK Extradition Act, 2003, the Judge will now send his findings to the UK Secretary of State for Home Affairs, Priti Patel.

The UK Cabinet Minister is authorised to order extradition under the India-UK extradition treaty and has two months within which to make that decision. The Home Secretary's order rarely goes against the Court's conclusions, as she has to consider only some very narrow bars to extradition which are unlikely to apply in this case, including the possible imposition of a death penalty.

Nirav Modi has up to 14 days to approach the High Court and seek leave to appeal after Patel has made her decision known. Any appeal, if granted, will be heard at the administrative division of the High Court in London. For now, he will remain on remand at Wandsworth Prison until the Home Secretary decides to sign off on the extradition order.

Nirav Modi was arrested on an extradition warrant on March 19, 2019, and has appeared via videolink from Wandsworth Prison for a series of Court hearings in the extradition case. His multiple attempts at seeking bail have been repeatedly turned down, both at the Magistrates' and High Court level, as he was deemed a flight risk.

He also faces charges of money laundering, destruction of evidence and witness intimidation apart from those relating to defrauding PNB through the use of fraudulent loan agreements to the tune of 2 billion Dollars.

Truckers' strike total

Mysuru District Lorry Owners Association President B. Kodandaram leading a dharna against hike in fuel prices in front of DC's Office in city this morning.

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Kodandaram claimed that the truckers were facing a lot of hardship due to operational losses caused by rising fuel prices, spare parts and other factors.

Kodandaram further said that, lorries and other goods vehicles transporting essential commodities have been exempted from the day-long strike.

Strongly opposing the old vehicle scrapping policy recently announced by the Government, Kodandaram wanted the Government to clarify on the alternative measures or proposals for vehicle owners if all vehicles, including trucks, that are more than 15-years-old are scrapped.

CM launches KSRTC's 'Namma Cargo' service

Bengaluru, Feb.26 (KMS&DM)- In a bid to tide over revenue losses due to drop in commuters amid COVID-19 crisis, three State-run transport corporations — KSRTC, NEKRTC and NWKRTC — on Friday, formally launched a parcel and cargo service named 'Namma Cargo.'

Chief Minister B.S. Yediyurappa flagged off the 'Namma Cargo' service in front of Vidhana Soudha here this morning.

'Namma Cargo' will be operated through Strategic Outsourcing Private Ltd., for the next five years in the three transport corporations. While Strategic Outsourcing will provide basic infrastructure, the Transport Corporations will provide space to set up parcel and cargo counters at bus stands and their various other facilities.

Transport authorities said that the initiative is a safe, reliable and cost-effective overnight cargo service covering the States of Karnataka, Andhra Pradesh, Telangana, Goa, Maharashtra, Kerala and Tamil Nadu and the Union Territory of Pondicherry. They further said that the service is based on the concept of Reliability, Connectivity and Affordability.

Lions 'Plate Bank' inauguration tomorrow

Mysuru,Feb.26(MTY&DM)- In an effort to dissuade public from using plastic cups and plates various in functions, city's Lions Clubs International in association with Bengaluru-based Adamya Chetana, has set up 'Lions Plate Bank' at 'Hasivu Nivarana Kendra' on Akkamahadevi Road in J.P. Nagar .

Announcing this at a press meet here yesterday, Lions Club Region 4 President S. Murthy said that Adamya Chetana President Tejaswini Ananthkumar, wife of late Union Minister H.N. Ananthkumar, will inaugurate the Lions Plate Bank at 4.30 pm tomorrow(Feb.27), in the presence of MLA S.A. Ramdas, MUDA Chairman H.V. Rajeev, Corporator Sharadamma, former Mayor B.L. Bhyrappa, Lions Club President Nagaraj V. Bhairy, MCC Health Officer Dr. D.G. Nagaraj and others. Pointing out that the Plate Bank is jointly set up by Adamya Chetana, Lions Club of Mysore Nisarga and Lions Club of Mysore Mayuri, Murthy said that the Plate Bank will function from the premises of 'Hasivu Nivarana Kendra' on Akkamahadevi Road in J.P. Nagar.

Murthy said that Mysuru is generating 18 tonnes of waste everyday due to dumping of banana leaves, plastic cups and plates etc. and added that the Plate Bank will help in reducing waste generation by providing steel plates and cups for functions upon intimation in advance with a deposit Rs.10,000 as security, following which 1,000 steel plates, cups and spoons will be given. The organisers should return them cleaned in exact number and the deposit will be returned, he said. There are plans to hike the number to 5,000 in the future depending upon the response.

Continuing, Murthy said that this concept has been a success in Benglauru and based on the suggestion from Tejaswini Ananthkumar, the Plate Bank has been set up in Mysuru. Initially, the plates will given only for vegetarian food. However, the service may be extended to non-vegetarian food too depending upon the success of the Bank, he said and added that there are plans to set up branches across the city to extend the service to a larger population.

Lions Region-4 meet in city tomorrow

The Fourth Regional meet of International Lions Clubs Federation (District 317-A) Regional meet of Region-4 will take place at Rahul Convention Hall in Vishweshwaranagar at 5 pm tomorrow (Feb.27). The registration for the meet will be held from 3 pm to 4 pm, following which the banner will be released. Bengaluru's Adamya Chetana President Tejaswini Ananthkumar will deliver the main address. MUDA Chairman H.V. Rajeev will be the guest of honour, Lions Regional Chairman S. Murthy will preside.

The meet will feature distribution of sewing machines to 20 poor women, artificial legs to 25 beneficiaries, installation of pure drinking water units at Begur Government Hospital and Gundlupet Government Junior College,setting up of solar lighting system at Kollegal Lions School and installation of sanitary pads vending machine.

Kamakshi Hospital performs total knee replacement surgery on 70-year-old woman

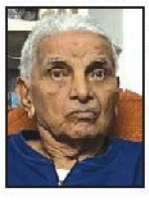
Mysuru, Feb. 26 (KS) - Kamakshi Multi-Specialty Hospital at J.P. Nagar here has successfully performed a total knee replacement surgery on a 70-year-old woman.

The surgery was performed by Orthopaedic Surgeons **Dr. T. Madhusudhan** and **Dr. V.R. Vasuki** and team on the woman from Kollegal, who was suffering from Bilateral Osteoarthritis Knee with difficulty in walking and unable to carry out her daily activities.

After the surgery, the woman was made to stand and walk with the support of a walker and was discharged from the hospital within a week.

Obituary

Dr. K. Shivanna



Mysuru, Feb. 26- Dr. K Shivanna (87), retired District Surgeon and Director, Mysuru, passed away in his residence in Jayalakshmipuram this morning.

He leaves behind his wife Gangamma Shivanna, son Harish, daughters senior advocate Kanchanamala, Asha and Nisha, sons-in-law, daughter-in-law, grandchildren and a host of relatives and friends.

Last rites will be performed in his farm at Devarahalli in Bilikere at 10.30 am tomorrow.

Kashmir Festival

Exhibition-Cum-Sale at Institution of Engineers

Mysuru, Feb. 26 - Kashmir Festival, a 10-day mega exhibition-cum sale of Kashmir crafts has been organised at The Institution of Engineers on JLB Road in city from today. The expo is open from 10.30 am to 9 pm. Pashmina shawls and stoles, embroidered dresses, cotton and silk kurtis, silver jewellery, bed sheets, cushion covers, silk and cotton sarees, leather bags and purses, embroidery bags and purses, papier mache, dry fruits and many more are available.

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Sealed Tenders are invited for running the following canteens & stalls at the Mysore Race Club premises for the period 1st April, 2021 to 31st March, 2022 on Mysore Race days and inter venue betting days:

a)	Vegetarian Canteen
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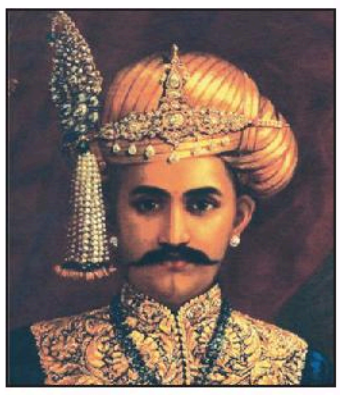
k)	Nandini Milk Stall

The tender details can be obtained from the office of the Mysore Race Club Ltd., during office hours on any working day on cash payment of Rs.500/- (Non-Refundable). The Mysore Race Club Ltd., reserves the right to accept or eject any tender/s without assigning any reason.
The sealed catering tenders shall be submitted to the Secretary, Mysore Race Club Ltd., Race Course Road, Mysore -570 010, within 7 days from the date of publication of this advertisement.

Annual Celebrations at Sri Krishna Gana Sabha

Mysuru, Feb.26 - The 19th Annual Celebrations of Sri Krishna Gana Sabha and Thyagaraja - Purandara Aradhana will be held on Feb.27 (Saturday) and **Sri Chamarajendra Wadiyar X** Jayanthi on Feb.28 (Sunday) at its premises.

Krishna Gana Sabha in association with Sri Krishna Seva Samithi Chartable Trust and Kannada and Culture Department has arranged Aradhana Mahotsava on Saturday at 5.30 pm followed by music concert by **Vidushi Rajalakshmi Sridhar.** Accompanying artistes are **Vid.Thandava Murthy** - violin and **Vid. G.S. Kumar** - mridanga.



Chamarajendra Wadiyar X

The birthday celebrations of Sri Chamarajendra Wadiyar X will be held on Sunday for the first time by the Sabha. M. Jagannath Shenoy, Managing Trustee, Mangalore Ganesha Beedi Works, Mysuru, will inaugurate the event at 6 pm. This will be followed by a grand music concert by **Vid. Pattabhirama Pandit** accompanied by **Vidushi Charulatha Ramanujam** on violin and **Vidwan Arjunkumar** on mridanga. The above programmes will be held at Alwar Kala Bhavan, Sri Krishna Temple, Gokulam.

Pattabhirama Pandit

Rajalakshmi Sridhar

Desiraju Memorial Concert

Vidu. Pruthvi

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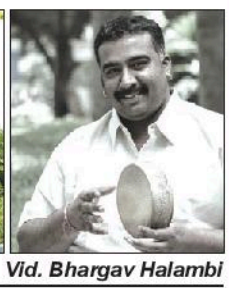


Vid. Bhargav Halambi

Mysuru, Feb. 26- Ganabharathi has organised a vocal duet by **Vidu. Sindhu Suchethan** and **Vidu. H.M. Smitha** at its premises in Kuvempunagar on Feb. 27 at 6 pm.

Vidushis Sindhu and Smitha

They will be accompanied by **Vidu. Pruthvi Bhaskar** on violin and **Vid. Admyaa** on mridanga and **Vid. Bhargav Halambi** on kanjira.

The programme, organised in memory of Desiraju Venkata Narsimha Rao, will also be streamed both in YouTube and on Facebook page of Ganabharathi.

For details, contact Ganabharathi Secretary T.S. Venugopal on Mob: 99000-82773.

Online Moonlight Music

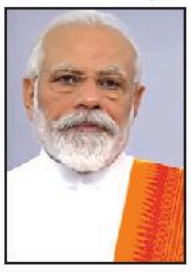
Mysuru, Feb. 26- As part of the monthly moonlight music programme, young vocalist **Vid. Vivek Sadasivam** will present a Karnatak Music Concert at Suttur Mutt at the foot of Chamundi Hill here at 6 pm on Feb. 27.

He will be accompanied by **Vid. Keshav Mohankumar** on violin, **Vid. G.S. Ramanujam** on mridanga and **Vid. Shamit S. Gowda** on ghata.

Suttur Seer Sri Shivarathri Deshikendra Swamiji will grace the occasion. This monthly moonlight music will be telecast online and music lovers can log on to ***https://www.youtube.com/c/JSSMahavidyapeetha online*** OR ***https://www.facebook.com/JSSMVP/*** OR ***http://jssonline.org***

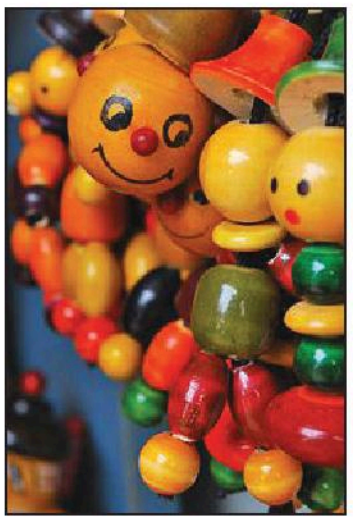
PM Modi to open virtual 'India Toy Fair-2021' tomorrow

New Delhi, Feb. 26 (SSV)- Prime Minister Narendra Modi will inaugurate the ***India Toy Fair-2021*** tomorrow at 11 am via video-conferencing.



Narendra Modi

The Fair will be held from Feb. 27 to Mar. 2. It aims to bring together all stakeholders including buyers, sellers, students, teachers and designers on a virtual platform to create sustainable linkages and encourage dialogue for the overall development of the industry. Through this platform, the Government and the industry should come together to discuss how India can be made the next global hub for manufacturing and sourcing of toys by way of attracting investments in the sector and promoting exports.



Over 1,000 exhibitors from across 30 States and Union Territories will display their products in an e-commerce enabled virtual exhibition. It will showcase traditional Indian toys as well as modern toys including electronic toys, plush toys, puzzles and games. The Toy Fair will also host numerous webinars and panel discussions with eminent Indian and international speakers with proven capabilities in toy design and manufacturing.

For children, it is an opportunity to participate in a plethora of activities, including craft demonstrations on traditional toy making and virtual visits to toy museums and factories.

Toys play a significant part in the development of a child's mind and also help improve psychomotor and cognitive skills in children. In his *Mann Ki Baat* address in August 2020, the PM had said that toys not only augment activity, but also give flight to aspirations.

Modi had also made a mention of the famous Channapatna toys in his talk. Channapatna is in Ramanagara District of Karnataka and has the sobriquet 'Toy City' or 'Gombegala Nagara.'

Stone inscription confirms demise of Sri Krishnadevaraya of Vijayanagara Kingdom on Oct. 17, 1529

Mysuru, Feb.26 (SSV)- A stone inscription found near a temple in Tumakuru district has revealed that Sri Krishnadevaraya, a finest king of medieval period who had kept the Muslim invaders at bay for very many years, had died on Oct. 17, 1529.

This, perhaps, is the first rare stone inscription that has recorded the exact date of death of one of the Hindu kings of India whose popularity had reached the foreign soil. It was during his reign, the priceless stones, emeralds and gold were sold on the streets of Hampi, the capital of the erstwhile Vijayanagara Kingdom.

T.S. Subramanya, Deputy Director, Mysore Palace Board, told *SOM* that his office received photograph of this inscription from Prof. K.R. Narasimhan, engraved on a slab placed to the North side of Gopalakrishna Temple at Honnenahalli in Tumakuru.

It is written in Kannada and depicted in characters. The inscription records the demise of Sri Krishnadevaraya (Virakrishnaraya Maharayalu Yitatha Tithiyalu Astamayaragalu) in Saka 1451, Virodhi Samvatsava, Su.15, Lunar Eclipse, which corresponds to 1529 AD, Oct. 12, Sunday of Anebiddasaraya Sthala in Penugonda Rajya, for conducting worship and providing offerings to the God Viraprasannahanumantha of Tumakuru by Timmappanna Nayaka along with some officials and inhabitants of Tumakuru.

Similarly, an inscription engraved on the North and West walls of 3rd Prakara of the Kalahastisvara temple at Srikalahasti, Chittor District, Andhra Pradesh, dated Saka 1454, Nandana, Sravana Ba.10, (1532, July 27, Saturday) mentions that King Achyutaraya was coronated in the year Virodhi, Karttika Maasa Ba.5, which corresponds to 1529 AD, Oct.21, in the presence of God Kalahastisvara at Kalahasti. Thus, from these two inscriptions, it is known for the first time that Achyutaraya was coronated on the 4th day after the demise of Sri Krishnadevaraya.

It may be mentioned here that in the 1990s, the Department of Archaeology and Museums had found a stone inscription in Hampi to confirm that in the year 1509, on Sri Krishna Jayanthi day, Janamashtami, the birth anniversary of Lord Krishna, Raja Krishnadevaraya ascended the throne of Vijayanagara, a kingdom that reached its zenith during his reign.

Hippooo Nooo?

- 'Looks' matter a lot in adoption of animals at Mysuru Zoo
- No takers for Hippos

By S. Kenneth Shishir

Which animal is most sought-after for adoption? No prizes for guessing. It is either tiger or elephant. Because, these two are the most popular animals in people's mind and also visually appealing. Also, they figure quite prominently in Hindu mythology along with other animals. But what about Hippo?

It seems so as while everyone wants to adopt big cats, elephants, giraffe etc., there are no takers for the poor Hippos. The Zoo employees say the Hippo has no takers because most people find it visually unappealing and also it does not have any presence in Indian mythology. So for many, it is like a foreign animal.

To add to its woes, the Hippo is not seen in the wild in India, so people and children have not seen it when they go on a forest safari. Because of this, nobody has much information about this unique animal, unless they catch a show on Hippos on National Geographic or Discovery Channels, says **Dr. Madan Kompal,** the Zoo Veterinarian.

Speaking of Hippo being unique, Dr. Madan said, they are one of the toughest animals, most aggressive when agitated, have powerful jaws and give birth in water.

Dr. Madan adds, **"many consider Hippo to be a close relative of the elephant, but it is actually a close relative of a whale. In Kannada, it is called 'Neeru Kudure' (water horse) and not 'Neeru Aane' (water elephant)."**

He further adds that though Hippos spend most of their time in water, they cannot breathe underwater and have to come to the surface for intake of air. They sleep with their heads under the water and have to resurface every three to five minutes to breathe. The process of resurfacing and breathing is automatic, which means a Hippo which is sleeping underwater will resurface and breathe without waking up or this process is done by them unconsciously.

Dr. Madan finally adds saying "I hope people appreciate this unique animal and adopt it."

HIPPO...?

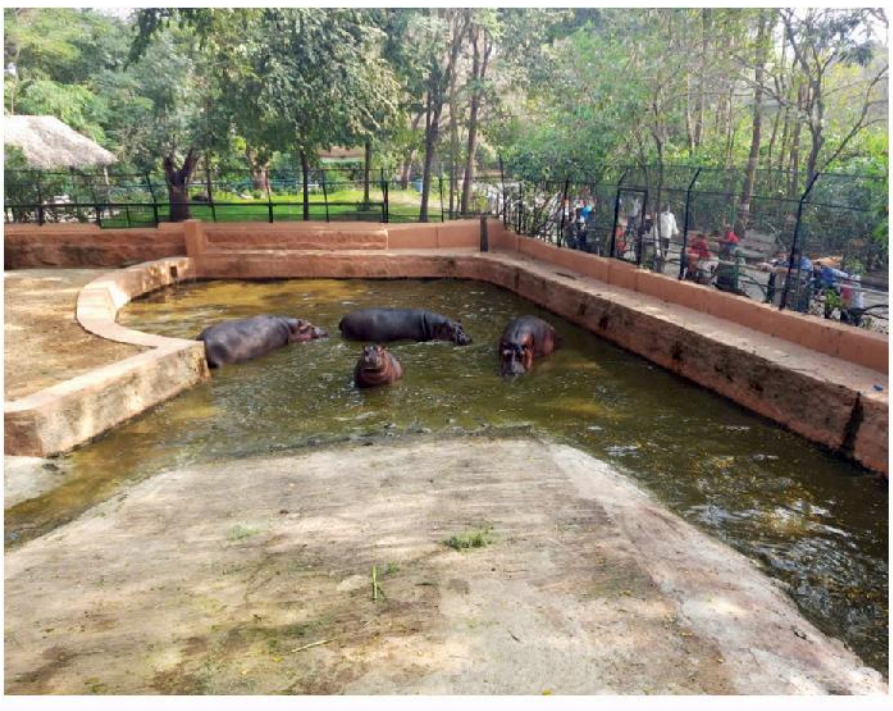
Hippo in ancient Greek translates to "river horse" yet modern science linked the animals to pigs. The most recent studies have found they are more closely related to whales.

Mysuru Zoo has five male and four female Hippos aged between three and 45 years. They mostly remain submerged in water to remain cool and once they are out of water, they secrete an oily red substance (which is mistaken as blood) that acts as a moisturiser to protect themselves from germs. In the wild, Hippos forage for food during night and considering their enormous size, their food intake is relatively low.

Another interesting fact is Hippos give birth in water and give milk to the newborn calf underwater. In the wild, Hippos live for around 40 years, while in captivity they tend to live longer and may reach up to 50 years.

HIPPO MANURE AVAILABLE

Dr. Madan Kompal said that Hippo dung was helping the Zoo in manufacturing vermicompost which is sold to the public.



WORD OF THE DAY

Retarget

Pronunciation: ree-TAHR-gut
Meaning: To direct (something) toward a different target.
Origin: The verb retarget first appeared in 20th-century English with the basic meaning "to direct toward a different target." In digital advertising, retargeting has to do with directing people who have left your website back to the site by displaying ads that remind them of your site on other sites they subsequently visit. The base word target is from the early French noun targe, which was used for a light shield carried especially by footmen and archers. French targette, a diminutive form of targe, was taken into English as target in the early 15th century with its French sense. In the 18th century, the word acquired the extended sense of "a shieldlike object to shoot at for practice." In the following century, the figurative senses referring to a thing or person that is marked for attack (especially of ridicule or criticism) begin to develop.
Example: "NASA is retargeting launch of the next SpaceX Crew Dragon spacecraft for Nov. 14 amid ongoing reviews of recent engine problems with SpaceX's Falcon 9 rocket..." — William Harwood

THE ODD WORD

Railophone
Telephone installed in a train

PHRASE OF THE DAY

Red in tooth and claw

Meaning: Reference to the sometimes violent natural world, in which predatory animals unsentimentally cover their teeth and claws with the blood of their prey as they kill and devour them.
Origin: This has the sound of a proverbial phrase which might come from the Bible or from Shakespeare. Search the Bible for 'tooth' and you'll find little other than 'an eye for an eye, a tooth for a tooth'. Shakespeare comes a little closer and refers to 'an adders' tooth', 'a serpent's tooth' and even to an animal with claws - 'a mad dog's tooth'. The line is in fact much more recent than either of those sources and comes from Alfred Lord Tennyson's In Memoriam A. H. H., 1850. The quotation comes in Canto 56 (it is a very long poem) and refers to man:
Who trusted God was love indeed
And love Creation's final law
Tho' Nature, red in tooth and claw
With ravine, shriek'd against his creed.

QUOTE BOX

Life is short. Smile while you still have teeth. **—Mallory Hopkins**

RIDDLE THIS

Solve the rebus:

TTT

Answer :Big tease.

CROSS WORD

ACROSS:
1 Butter-like extract from African tree's seeds
5 Musical composition
9 A motor vehicle
12 Lawman Wyatt
13 Billionth as a prefix
14 A fierce sea monster
15 To be (Latin)
16 A difficult bet on the race course
18 Nepalese porter
20 A short nail with a flat head
21 Sculpt out of stone, etc.
23 Brave man
26 Loss of will power?
29 Pierced with horn
30 Male offspring
31 Six Day War leader ___ Dayan
33 French season
34 Tiny amounts ?
36 Part of inner ear
38 Mr. Kapoor of "Beta" fame
39 A lively dance
40 Father or daddy
42 Over there
46 Bone inflammation
49 A deep cut
50 Howard Hughes studio
51 Labourer of yore
52 Affected or pretentious
53 A cricket extra
54 Sea wall
55 ___ off : say or recite very rapidly?

DOWN
1 ___ after : attends to or takes care of ?
2 Chop into pieces
3 Gaelic language
4 An immediate impression; esp insight
5 Canadian province and Great Lake
6 Below ___ : less than expected or due?
7 Merge or make one
8 A long soft seat
9 A young rooster
10 Illustrative craft
11 Record company ___ Victor
17 Audible return
19 ___ off : imposes fraudulently on, in a way?
22 Portuguese explorer __ da Gama
24 Anatomical network
25 Halls, theatres
26 The largest continent
27 A blessing
28 At your full height, should we say? (2,3-3)
29 Small lizard, with adhesive pads on its toes
32 The papacy or papal court (4,3)
35 Wings or winglike parts
37 Aircraft shed
39 Fall guy, in a way
41 Black and white
43 Face or confront boldly
44 Italian noble family
45 Welsh resort
46 Heavenly body; sphere or globe
47 The heavens
48 Marking fluid

YESTERDAY'S ANSWER

B	O	R	G	■	O	A	T	H	■	M	O	B
A	L	E	E	■	S	T	O	A	■	A	W	E
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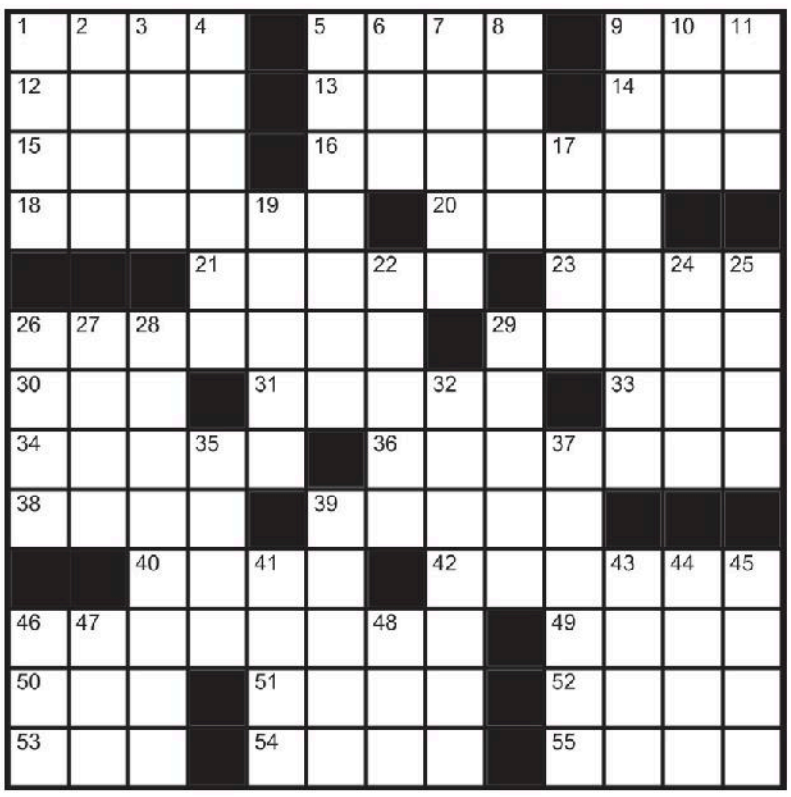

SUDOKO

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5	6							
8		3	9					2
9								7
1					7	4		6
							4	1
		4		3	1	2		8
			4	7				

Answer to previous puzzle

1	2	6	8	7	4	3	5	9
7	5	3	9	1	2	4	6	8
4	9	8	6	3	5	7	2	1
3	8	7	1	5	9	6	4	2
6	1	2	3	4	7	9	8	5
9	4	5	2	8	6	1	3	7
2	3	9	5	6	1	8	7	4
8	7	1	4	2	3	5	9	6
5	6	4	7	9	8	2	1	3

Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Concept is Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

CRYPTOQUIP

The Cryptoquip is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.

REGQYKGQR FQEFJQ DWQ UQDAYKSAJ. PEY KP JEEZR.

PEY KP HBDY YBQV RDV. TARY KP HBDY YBQV DWQ.

TODAY'S CLUE: F EQUALS P

Yesterday's Cryptoquip: Nobody will believe in you unless you believe in yourself.

City cyclists bag medals at Natl. Mountain Bike Championship

*Seen in the picture are (from left) **Karnataka Amateur Cycling Association Secretary Kurni, Charith Gowda, Adonis K. Tangpu, Cycling Federation of India (CFI) General Secretary Maninder Pal Singh, Karen Marshal, Samarpan Jain and Coach T.V. Nagaraj.***

Mysuru, Feb. 26 (KS)- Four young cyclists from city, who represented the State in the 17th National Mountain Bike Championship 2020-21 held at Gadag recently, have bagged medals in the championship.

The young cyclists have bagged seven Gold medals and one Silver medal in Time Trial and Mass Start events to grab the Overall Championship Award for the third consecutive year.

The medal winners are: Adonis K. Tangpu (Under 18 boys) – two gold; Charith Gowda (Under 16 boys) – two gold; Karen Marshal (Under 16 girls) – two gold and Samarpan Jain (Under 14 boys) has bagged one gold and one silver medal.

Cyclists Adonis K. Tangpu and Charith Gowda have been selected by the Cycling Federation of India (CFI) for Indian MTB Cycling Camp with education, boarding and lodging, medical and cycling related complete facility at Patiala Sports Centre, Punjab. The CFI has also declared Adonis as India's Best Cyclist of the Year -2021.

All the cyclists are trained by T.V. Nagaraj of Cycling My Sooru Training Academy.

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Check (Te)	(S-1)	10.20 am
	(S-4)	4.10 pm, 7 pm, 9.50 pm
Pogaru (K)	(S-1)	1.10 pm, 6.50, 9.50 pm
	(S-3)	10.15 am, 4.30 pm
	(S-4)	11.00 am
Chakra (Ta)	(S-1)	4.10 pm
Inspector Vikram (K)	(S-2)	10.30 am, 4.15 pm
Cyanide Mallika (K)	(S-2)	1.30 pm
The Marksman (E)	(S-2)	7.30 pm
Operation Java (Ma)	(S-2)	9.55 pm
Kushka (K)	(S-3)	1.40 pm
The Vigil (E)	(S-3)	7.45 pm, 9.55 pm
	(S-4)	2.05 pm

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Pogaru (K)	(S-1)	11.00 am, 2.30 pm, 6.15 pm, 9.55 pm
	(S-2)	1.00 pm, 5.15 pm
Inspector Vikram (K)	(S-2)	9.00 pm
Tom and Jerry (E)	(S-4)	10.35 am, 7.00 pm
Cyanide Mallika (K)	(S-4)	1.00 pm
Check (Te)	(S-2)	10.20 am
	(S-4)	3.50 pm, 9.40 pm
Salt (K)	(S-3)	3.00 pm
Preman (K)	(S-3)	11.50 am
Kushka (K)	(S-3)	6.05 pm
Operation Java (Ma)	(S-3)	9.15 pm

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Ambani Putra (K)	(S-1)	10.45 am
Check (Te)	(S-1)	1.45 pm, 9.30 pm
	(S-4)	11.15 am
Angulika (Te)	(S-1)	6.55 pm
	(S-4)	2.00 pm
Pogaru (K)	(S-2)	10.45 am, 4 pm, 7.30 pm
	(S-3)	1.30 pm, 6 pm, 9.15 pm
Inspector Vikram (K)	(S-4)	4.45 pm, 7.50 pm

NOTE: Movie timings published here are subject to sudden change by the theatre managements. The films are also liable to be changed in multiplexes if there are no minimum audience of 15 to the film announced here. **The other multiplexes and single screen theatres are yet to open.**

EVENTS TODAY (FEB. 26)

- **Navarathan:** Jewellery Show, Fortune JP Palace, **up to 9 pm.**
- **Silk Cotton Fab:** Exhibition-cum-Sale, Nanjaraja Bahadur Choultry, Vinoba Road, **up to 8.30 pm.**
- **Sahara Arts and Crafts Shopping Festival:** Handicraft and Handloom Expo-cum-Sale, JSS Ground, next to Doddakere Maidan, opp. Dasara Exhibition Grounds, **up to 9.30 pm.**
- **JSS Mysore Urban Haat and Ministry of Textile (Department of Handicraft), Government of India, New Delhi:** Craft Bazaar, Mysuru-Kodagu MP Pratap Simha inaugurates, MLA G.T. Devegowda presides, JSS Urban Haat, Ring Road, Hebbal Industrial Estate, **4 pm.**
- **Karnataka State Dr. Gangubai Hangal Music and Performing Arts University, Mysuru:** Sri Tyagaraja, Sri Purandaradasa and Sri Kanakadasa Aradhana and Music Trinity Memorial Programme, Music University VC Prof. Nagesh V. Bettakote presides, Karnataka Sangeetha Nritya Academy Chairman *Karnataka Kalashree* Vid. Anoor R. Anantakrishna Sharma and Sangeetha Sambhrama Samsthe President *Karnataka Kalashree* Vidu. Pusthakam Rama chief guests, Fine Arts College Principal Prof. C.A. Sridhar will be present, Goshti Gayana by University lecturers and students, Music University premises, JLB Road, **5 pm.**
- **Institution of Engineers-India (IEI), Mysuru Local Centre and ISHRAE Mysuru Chapter:** National Science Day-2021, talk on 'Usefulness of Science for Engineering and Technology' by J.K. Tyres General Manager (IR&HR) Vikram Hebbar, IEI Mysuru Chairman Dr. R. Suresh presides, S.P. Bhat Hall, IEI premises, JLB Road, **6 pm.**
- **Ganabharathi and Raasavrunda:** *Nartana Namana*, Bharatanatyam recital in Thanjavur Bani, dance compositions of the legendary Guru late Vidu. Lalitha Dorai, by the disciples of Raasavrunda, Dance direction by Vidu. Nandini Eswer and Dr. Rohitha Eswer, performing artistes - Nitya Shree Shetty, Chinmayee Bharadwaj, Shree Krupa and Mrudula Hamsini; Accompanying artistes: Natuvanga - Dr. Rohitha Eswer, Vocal - Vidu. C.S. Lakshmi, Mridanga - Vid. H.L. Shivashankaraswamy, Flute - Vid. Tandavamurthy, Compere - Vidu. Aparna Shashank, **6.30 pm.**

EVENTS TOMORROW (FEB. 27)

- **Department of Studies (DoS) in Commerce, Vidyavardhaka First Grade College (VVFGC) - PG Centre:** PG Students' Forum Inauguration 2020-21, RiiiT CEO and MD S.V. Venkatesh chief guest, Vidyavardhaka (VV) Sangha Hon. President Gundappa Gowda presides, VV Sangha Hon. Secretary P. Vishwanath, Hon. Treasurer Shrishaila Ramannavar and VVFGC CMC Chairman T. Nagaraju guests of honour, Sri P.M. Chikkaboraiah Hall, College premises, Seshadri Iyer Road, **10 am.**
- **JSS Mysore Urban Haat and Ministry of Textile (Department of Handicraft), Government of India, New Delhi:** Craft Bazaar, JSS Urban Haat, Ring Road, Hebbal Industrial Estate, **10 am to 9 pm.**
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- **Amrita Darshanam - International Centre for Spiritual Studies, Amrita Vishwa Vidyapeetham, Mysuru Campus and South Zone Cultural Centre, Thanjavur (Ministry of Culture, Governemtn of India):** Valedictory of 3-day international virtual workshop on 'The Ideology Inherent in the Tradition of Vedic Recitation and Practices - An exposure,' Prof. Srinivasa Varakhedi, Vice-Chancellor, Kavikulaguru Kalidas Sanskrit University, Maharashtra, delivers valedictory address, Amrita Campus, Bogadi II Stage, **3.30 pm.** [Mob: 94496-77863 or 84382-60205]
- **Sri Krishna Gana Sabha:** Tyagaraja and Purandaradasa Aradhana Mahotsava, Goshti Gayana and Music Concert - Vidu. Rajalakshmi Sridhar (vocal), Vid. H.S. Thandavamurthy (violin) and Vid. G.S. Kumar (mridanga), Alwar Kalabhavan, Gokulam 3rd Stage, **5.30 pm.**
- **JSS Mahavidyapeetha - Sri Shivarathreeshwara Religious Endowment:** 274th Shivanubhava Dasoha Lecture, poet Dr. Jayappa Honnali speaks on 'Vachanabrahma Sarvajna,' Nanjangud Government PU College Mathematics Lecturer B. Shivakumar presides, Bhajans by Sri Shivarathreeshwara Bhajana Mandali, No. 737, JSS Layout 2nd Stage, Lalithadripura, **6 pm.**
- **Ganabharathi:** Desiraju Venkata Narsimha Rao Memorial Programme - Vocal Duet by Vidu. Sindhu Suchethan and Vidu. H.M. Smitha, accompanied by Vidu. Pruthvi Bhaskar on violin and Vid. Admyaa on mridanga and Vid. Bhargav Halambi on kanjira, Ganabharathi premises, Kuvempunagar, **6 pm.** [Mob: 99000-82773]
- **Suttur Mutt, Mysuru:** Online monthly moonlight music programme, Suttur Seer Sri Shivarathri Deshikendra Swamiji graces the occasion, young vocalist Vid. Vivek Sadasivam presents Karnatak Music Concert, accompanied by Vid. Keshav Mohankumar on violin, Vid. G.S. Ramanujam on mridanga and Vid. Shamit S. Gowda on ghata, ***[https://www.youtube.com/c/JSSMahavidyapeetha online*** OR ***https://www.face book.com/JSSMVP/*** OR ***http://jssonline.org],*** **6 pm.**
- **Aparyaaptha:** Mehfil-e-Sufiyana - Musical evening including presentation of works of Amir Khusrau, Jalaluddin Rumi, Saint Kabir Das, Shishunala Sharifa and Purandaradasa, Kabir, social worker P. Mallesh, Dr. Dharanidevi Malagatti, Rangayana Mysuru Director Addanda C. Cariappa and Joint Director V.N. Mallikarjunaswamy, MUDA Commissioner Dr. D.B. Natesh and RJ Rashmi guests, Chintana Chavadi, Kalamandira premises, **6.30 pm.**

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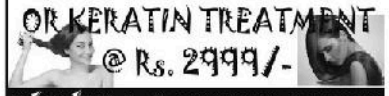

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